

G. Connectivity

In the Ameritech region, SBC will build a dedicated Remote Access Facility (to be called the ARAF) which will provide CLECs dedicated access to the application-to-application interfaces and Graphical User Interfaces being implemented in Ameritech Illinois. SBC will also provide Internet access for the Graphical User Interface being introduced in Ameritech Illinois.

The ARAF will use TCP/IP protocol and will be configured with: 1) routers capable of terminating private line or frame relay connections, and 2) access servers to terminate analog modem and ISDN dial-up connections. SBC will install and maintain these routers and will provide CLECs with specifications for the DSU/CSUs that are to be placed on both ends of the circuit. CLECs will provide their own circuit to the ARAF, the DSU/CSUs, as well as connectors and cabling from their CSU/DSU to the SBC router. Application-to-application interfaces will be accessible only via the CLEC's private line or frame relay connection to the ARAF and will not be accessible by a dial-up connection or the Internet.

Common security will be provided by SBC's firewall systems that will use access lists to authorize ARAF users access to designated OSS. Dial-up access users of the GUI interface(s) will pass through the same security methods as private line/frame relay users but must also authenticate upon connecting to the SBC access server by supplying a unique User ID and password pair to log onto the SBC network. SBC is currently trialing and plans to implement a generic userid process. This process change will be implemented only after achieving CLEC concurrence and will be specified in the 10/2/2000 update to the CLEC OSS Interconnection Procedures document. Applicable forms and instructions will be available on the CLEC website. It is SBC's intent, to the extent SBC is able to overcome regional security system differences, that a single userid/password combination will provide access to all SBC regions.⁷⁷ When a CLEC wants to use Internet access, SBC will utilize Digital Certificates to secure access. GUIs can be accessed through either the ARAF or the Internet. Should this Plan cause any changes to IP addresses 30 days notice via Accessible Letter will be provided to CLECs.⁷⁸ Documentation describing connectivity requirements and procedures for the ARAF will be standardized and made available to CLECs desiring connectivity to Ameritech Illinois OSS. Once the ARAF goes into production in the fourth quarter 2000, any CLEC wanting to establish connectivity for the first time or CLECs wanting to upgrade their existing connection, will be provided specifications for connecting to the dedicated ARAF facility. CLEC connections to any other facility within Ameritech Illinois will become grandfathered and no new CLEC connections will be made to such non-dedicated facilities.

With the introduction of the uniform interfaces, SBC will allow each CLEC to have up to three Trading Partner IDs, per service, per environment. An exception process will be in place to consider CLEC requests for more IDs if warranted. Each Trading Partner ID may have a unique IP address/port combination, or these IDs could use the same common IP address.⁷⁹ The following table depicts the combinations available within SBC.

⁷⁷ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 184 (DO) and Issue 236 (CLOSED)~~

⁷⁸ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 186 (CLOSED)~~

⁷⁹ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 183, 185 (CLOSED)~~

Table 26:

CLEC-B (Production environment) ⁸⁰

Trading Partner ID	Business Function	CLEC IP
ID#1-Pre	Pre-order	IP#1
ID#1-Ord	Ordering	IP#2
ID#2-Pre	Pre-order	IP#3
ID#2-Ord	Ordering	IP#4
ID#3-Pre	Pre-order	IP#5
ID#3-Ord	Ordering	IP#6

CLEC-B (Testing environment)

Trading Partner ID	Business Function	CLEC IP
ID#4-Pre	Pre-order	IP#7
ID#4-Ord	Ordering	IP#8
ID#5-Pre	Pre-order	IP#9
ID#5-Ord	Ordering	IP#10
ID#6-Pre	Pre-order	IP#11
ID#6-Ord	Ordering	IP#12

Connectivity information regarding the ARAF will be included in the 10/2/2000 update of the CLEC OSS Interconnection Procedures document. Specific IP address information is normally discussed during connectivity planning meetings between individual CLECs and their Ameritech Illinois Account Manager, Ameritech Illinois connectivity SMEs, and the SBC OSS Customer Support Team.⁸¹

Below is a list of items and functions regarding connectivity that will become the future method of operation in Ameritech Illinois for secured access to SBC's OSS. Grandfathered connections will not have access to interface functionality. Upon implementation of the application to application pre-ordering and ordering interfaces in Ameritech Illinois, the standards described in the opening paragraphs of the POR, Section III, B and C will be followed. Use of the Enterprise Access Protocol (EAP) in the Ameritech region will continue for Ameritech Illinois's existing ordering interface until the last version using that protocol is sunset according to the Change Management Plan and the associated Transition Plan.⁸²

- Dedicated CLEC Facility

⁸⁰ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 38, 183, 185, 195 (ALL CLOSED)~~

⁸¹ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 195 (CLOSED)~~

⁸² ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 188 and 191 (CLOSED)~~

- Private Line / Frame Relay connections
- Dial-up Connections
- SBC provides and maintains routers
- TCP/IP protocol used
- CLEC provides circuit, CSU/DSUs, connectors and cables
- CLEC provides publicly registered IP addresses for both ends of the private line or frame relay connection
- SBC installs and maintains CSU/DSUs at the SBC router
- Internet access (available for GUIs only) is secured by use of Digital Certificates
- Standard CLEC connectivity documentation
- Grandfather existing CLEC connectivity arrangements

In some cases, to make use of the Ameritech Illinois OSS interfaces via the ARAF, certain software requirements must be met by the accessing CLEC.

- For pre-ordering application to application EDI access, Interactive Agent software per the Electronic Commerce Implementation Committee (ECIC) Interactive Agent specification will be used. For the CORBA protocol, non-repudiation of EDI requests will not be supported and message receipts will be required. CORBA security will be in accordance with TIM1 T1.265 security specifications.
- The pre-ordering and/or ordering GUI will be web-based⁸³ and accessed via browser software, such as Internet Explorer (version 4.01 SP2 or greater) or Netscape Navigator (version 4.0 or greater.) Dependent on the final infrastructure architecture, SUN Java Plug-in version 1.2.2 also may be required. It is suggested that the workstation have a minimum of 128 MB of memory in order to ensure adequate performance.⁸⁴ Communications will be secured with the Secure Socket Layer (SSL), X.509 digital certificates and individual user IDs and passwords.

The Pre-Ordering GUI can be accessed from any xRAF and the CLEC can use a drop down menu to reach data in any of the 13 states as long as the CLEC has a signed Interconnection Agreement in that state.⁸⁵

The Ordering GUI will be accessible from any regional xRAF and will allow CLECs to input LSRs for customers in any of the 13 states where the CLEC has a signed Interconnection Agreement.

For the EDI and CORBA Pre-Ordering application-to-application interfaces and the EDI Ordering application-to-application interfaces, a CLEC can access a regional xRAF and submit transactions or files for customer activity in any of SBC's 13 states. A regional identifier, such as state code or other required field, will be required to designate the "target" region. This regional identifier will be selected and communicated to the CLECs prior to 12/2000 when the ARAF is implemented. A

⁸³~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 134d (CLOSED)~~

⁸⁴~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 196b (CLOSED)~~

⁸⁵~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced FMO Language~~

CLEC could chose to send all of their transactions or files for customers in any SBC region via one, or several, of the xRAFs. The request will be routed to the appropriate ordering system based upon information contained in the LSR. The response will be directed back to the CLEC based upon connectivity set-up associated with the sending CLEC ID.

Regional xRAF connectivity will continue to be required for access to SBC region-specific proprietary interfaces.⁸⁶

Ameritech Illinois will provide a centralized point of contact for handling OSS connectivity and interface application questions from CLECs. This Center will be staffed with managers who are trained in OSS and will be dedicated to supporting CLEC users only. A centralized group will be designated to handle CLEC requests for User IDs and for Digital Certificates. Ameritech Illinois plans to use Digital Certificates for CLEC access to the GUIs over the Internet. Vendor negotiations and application requirements development are underway. The 10/2/2000 CLEC OSS Interconnection Procedures document will be updated to include this process.⁸⁷

The IS Call Center (ISCC) will provide centralized support for Ameritech Illinois and is available 24/7. Based on current call volumes, the ISCC is physically staffed Monday through Friday 7:00 AM to 9:30 PM Central Time, and Saturday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Central Time. All other hours are covered by pager, which is activated by leaving a voicemail on the ISCC ACD by selecting Option 2. Contact and escalation information is also available on the ISCC Website accessed via the CLEC Website Home Page. Hours of operation can be sent regarding timeframes during fourth quarter when SNET and Ameritech calls will be transitioned to the ISCC and will refer CLECs to available documentation.⁸⁸

At the option of the requesting CLEC, Ameritech Illinois will return all outbound transactions via fax, via EDI or will return faxed transactions for orders received via fax and return EDI transactions for those orders received via EDI by March 2001⁸⁹.

H. Hours of Availability⁹⁰

With the introduction of the application to application and GUI ordering interfaces in March 2001, Ameritech Illinois will expand the hours when an LSR sent to Ameritech Illinois will be held for processing. This ordering interface will be available from 6AM (CT to 1 AM (CT), seven days a week. If back-end systems are not available during any of this period, LSRs will be held and then processed when the back-end systems become available. These extended hours will provide CLECs with a common window for submitting LSRs from at least 7AM to 11 PM local time. Ameritech

⁸⁶ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 196 (TA)~~

⁸⁷ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 237c (CLOSED)~~

⁸⁸ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 196a, and 214 (CLOSED)~~

⁸⁹ IL OSS Collaborative Issue #41

⁹⁰ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced FMO Language~~

Illinois cannot guarantee that it will pick up, hold, then process LSRs sent outside this expanded 6 AM to 1 AM (CT) window.

Interface availability for Pre-Ordering, Ordering, as well as Maintenance and Repair will be as follows:

Preorder

	<u>Monday - Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Ameritech (CT)	6am - 10pm 1 am	7am - 7pm 6am - 1 am n/a	6 am - 1 am

Ordering

	<u>Monday - Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Ameritech (CT)	6am - 1 am	6am - 1 am	6 am - 1 am

Maintenance and Repair 24 X 7

The availability of the maintenance and repair interface is determined based on the availability of the interface application itself (EBTA) and of the backend OSS (WFA/C and LMOS) which supply the maintenance and repair functionality. The availability of those systems is described in the following section.

WFA/C

When WFA/C is off line for maintenance, a customer attempting to report trouble via EBTA will be unable to do so if the circuit identification format is one of the following:

1. Serial Circuit Format
2. Carrier Format
3. Message Trunk Format
4. Certain ten-digit telephone numbers

<u>State</u>	<u>Time Zone</u>	<u>Mtce Hours</u>	<u>Day(s)</u>
Illinois	Central	0030-0630	Sunday
Indiana	Eastern	0000-0600	Monday
Michigan	Eastern	0030-0630	Sunday
Ohio	Eastern	2200-2400	Saturday
		0000-0400	Sunday
Wisconsin	Central	2200-2400	Saturday
		0000-0400	Sunday

LMOS Front Ends

When LMOS is "down" for maintenance a customer attempting to report trouble via EBTA will be unable to do so for services that utilize the ten digit telephone number format and/or certain services utilizing a circuit identification as listed above.

All 5 States	Local	0000-0230	Monday-Sunday
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In the event a CLEC attempts to report trouble via EBTA or makes an inquiry of the status of an earlier-logged trouble ticket to the system while the required OSS (LMOS or WFA/C) is not on line the system will respond with the following: "The server failed to process request".

EB/TA System

Database maintenance - 0000-0400 Central Time each Sunday.

Additionally, Ameritech may make use of a daily maintenance window from 2230-2330 Central Time to work necessary to the ongoing operation of the system.

The above maintenance schedules will be provided in the EBTA Graphical User Guide (GUI) User Guide and will be provided via TCNet and/or the CLEC Handbook.

I. Interface Retirement

The following table lists preorder, order, and provisioning interfaces planned to be available by Ameritech Illinois. In response to business conditions outside this plan, Ameritech Illinois has plans to retire certain proprietary or regional interfaces. Since the interfaces proposed in this plan will provide standards-based functionality equivalent or superior to these other regional or proprietary interfaces currently offered by Ameritech Illinois, it is envisioned that other interfaces may be retired in the future. TCNET Preorder is an interface that Ameritech Illinois does intend to retire. The date of such interface retirement will be set based on the retirement process in the CMP with consideration of the impact on the existing users of the interfaces⁹¹.

Table 20:

SYSTEM	Interface Function
GUI INTERFACE	
TCNet Preorder	Preorder
Enhanced Verigate	Preorder
Enhanced LEX	Order
GATEWAY INTERFACE	
EDI Preordering	Preorder
CORBA	Preorder
EXACT	Order
EDI Ordering	Order
LIDB	Order
OTHER	
Telis	Order

⁹¹ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced FMO Language~~

J. Documentation⁹²

Simultaneously with its publication of interface specifications for the releases referenced in the revised Future Method of Operations agreed to in Phase 2 of the Illinois OSS Collaborative (Condition 29) SBC/Ameritech, as further clarified in the table and paragraphs below, will document its pre-ordering, ordering, and provisioning interface specifications consistent with the format and terminology used by the Telecommunications Industry Forum (TCIF) of the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Standards (ATIS), using the industry conventions of inquiry/response and forms. SBC/Ameritech will also provide a mapping document that relates each data element defined in its interface requirements and business rules to its electronic interface specification for EDI and CORBA.

The following table summarizes the documentation to be available to CLECs supporting the electronic OSS interfaces, both application to application and GUI, associated with local exchange services.

Table 27:

	Date	Ameritech
Product Information Document • Also includes manual LSR-based ordering forms	September 2000	• CLEC Handbook
Order Rule Information Document • Flow Through/Exceptions Matrix	For September 2001 Release (LSOR); For March 2001 Release (LSPOR) Quarterly beginning September 2000 (Flow Through/Exceptions Matrix)	• LSOR • LSPOR •
Pre-ordering, Ordering, and Provisioning User Guide (GUI)	January 2001	• LEX User Guide • Verigate CLEC User Guide • Order Status User Guide • Provisioning Order Status User Guide
Pre-ordering EDI/CORBA, Ordering and Provisioning EDI Implementation Guide	For September 2001 Release (LSOR); For March 2001 Release (LSPOR)	• LSOR • LSPOR • Refer to TCIF SOSC Matrices • SEF File • Segment Sequence Charts ⁹³
Maintenance and Repair User Guide	Currently Available	• EBTA User Guide
Billing User Guide	January 2001 (EMI) July 2000 (EDI)	• BDT • EMI User Guide • EDI User Guide
Interconnection Procedures	October 2000	• SBC OSS Interconnection Procedures
Testing Implementation	January 2001	• SBC Joint Implementation Template and Release Testing Template

⁹² FCC Uniform and Enhanced FMO Language

⁹³ EDI Implementation Guide = publication of the uniform interface LSOR, LSPOR, Publication of EDI filed (SEF), and Publication of Uniform Interface Sequence Charts. ~~Issue 204 (CLOSED)~~

A common suite of documentation for use in all SBC regions will be developed to support the interfaces. Specifically for pre-ordering and ordering, Ameritech Illinois will move to the common document with the introduction of the uniform versions of the interfaces. This common document will be the Local Service Ordering Requirements (LSOR) / Local Service Pre-Ordering Requirements (LSPOR). Ameritech Illinois will provide EDI information for each LSOR/LSPOR field, including Responses/Notifications. The EDI information will include the following: 1) Header, Detail or Subline; 2) Transaction Set position; 3) EDI data element; 4) EDI field name. Additionally, the EDI SEF files will be provided separate and apart from the LSOR/LSPOR documentation and supporting Segment Sequence Charts by transaction type as supported by ECIC with variance noted per the SBC implementation. Ameritech Illinois will provide the equivalent CORBA specifications for pre-ordering with the LSPOR. Documentation formats for Maintenance/Repair and Billing will remain as they are today as they are in the Ameritech region.⁹⁴ Should it be necessary to modify documentation related to upcoming releases, the documentation reflecting the change will be reissued in its entirety.⁹⁵

K. Timeline

Ameritech Illinois FMO Timelines -- Release Schedule

Milestones	Availability Date
<u>OSS Interfaces</u>	
Use of Accessible Letter for Notification	
• Implementation	4/1/2000
<u>Pre-ordering, Ordering, and Provisioning</u>	
Pre-ordering Functionality Update	
• Release Announcement	12/16/1999
• Initial Release Requirements	1/14/2000
• CLEC Testing Start Date	3/18/2000
• Implementation	4/3/2000
DSL Loop Qualification	
• Release Announcement	12/16/1999
• Initial Release Requirements	1/14/2000
• Implementation	4/3/2000
Ordering Changes for DSL	

⁹⁴ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 15, 197, 198, 199, 202, 203, 207, 208, 210a (CLOSED)~~

⁹⁵ ~~FCC Uniform and Enhanced Collaborative Issue 201 (CLOSED)~~

- Release Announcement 6/2000
- Initial Release Requirements 8/2000
- CLEC Testing Start Date 10/2000
- Implementation 12/2000

**Updated Pre-ordering Application-to-Application Interface
(Including Additional Provisioning Functions)**

- Release Announcement 9/2000
- Initial Release Requirements 11/2000
- CLEC Testing Start Date 1/2001
- Implementation 3/2001

**Pre-ordering Graphical User Interface (GUI)
(Including Additional Provisioning Functions)**

- Release Announcement 2/2001
- Release Requirements and User Guide Documentation 2/2001
- Implementation 3/2001

Updated Ordering Application to Application Interface

- Release Announcement 9/2000
- Initial Release Requirements 11/2000
- CLEC Testing Start Date 1/2001
- Implementation 3/2001

Ordering Graphical User Interface (GUI)

- Release Announcement ~~2/2001~~ 11/2000
- Test Environment Access, Release Requirements and User Guide Documentation ~~2/2001~~ 11/2000
- Implementation ~~3/2001~~ 12/2000

Repair and Maintenance

MLT EBTA and GUI Updates

- Release Announcement 1/2000
- Initial Release Requirements 2/2000
- CLEC Testing Start Date Negotiated
- Implementation 4/3/2000

TRFD3 and History Window GUI Update

- Release Announcement 1/2000
- Release Requirements and User Guide Documentation 5/2000
- Implementation 6/2000

Billing

EMI Enhancements

- Final Release Requirements 1/2001
- Implementation 3/2001

EDI 811 Implementation

- Release Announcement 5/2000
- Initial Release Requirements 7/2000
- CLEC Testing Start Date 2/2001
- Implementation 3/2001

Connectivity

Ameritech RAF

- Implementation 12/2000

V. Glossary

2/6 Code	TIRKS "shorthand" abbreviation for Trunk Group
ACNA	Access Carrier Name Abbreviation
AEBS	Telcordia (formerly Bellcore) billing format standard.
Ameritech	The five-state operating region of SBC which encompasses the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ARAF	The data communications facility that provides a secure network interface from CLEC networks to Ameritech's Data Communications Network (DCN).
ASC	Accredited Standards Committee - A designation for a industry body that has been given accreditation by the American National Standards Institute to issue ANSI standards. X12 and T1 are examples of such committees.
ASOG	Access Service Order Guidelines - The industry standard format documentation developed under the auspices of Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) for the ordering of access services
ASR	Access Service Request - The industry standard format developed under the auspices of Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) for the ordering of access services.
ATIS	Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions
BDT	Bill Data Tape - Bill detail created in CABS which is predicated by the Billing Output Specifications (BOS) national standards.
BOS	Billing Output Specifications
CARE	Carrier Access Record Exchange
CCNA	Carrier Customer Name Abbreviation
CESAR - ISR	Customer's Enhanced System for Access Requests - Interconnection Service Request - Is a "gateway" for several applications. It is utilized in the PB/NB region for pre-ordering for Resale and Unbundled Loops, and ordering functions for Unbundled Loops, Local Number Portability, and Interconnection trunks.
CLEC	Competitive Local Exchange Carrier
CMIS	Certified Local Exchange Carrier Mechanized Interface Specification - A document created to aid CLECs in preparation of an LSR for ordering Unbundled Network Elements and Resale Services in the SNET region.
CMP	Change Management Process - Process negotiated between ILEC and CLECs to communicate changes made to the Operational Support Systems
Connect:Direct	A product of Sterling Commerce used to transport data files.
CORBA	Common Object Request Broker Architecture (CORBA) is an industry standard protocol for the mechanical exchange of data between computer systems.

CPO	Combined Platform Offering - An Ameritech unbundled network element platform (loop with port) offering.
DataGate	An SBC proprietary application to application interface for the mechanical exchange of pre-ordering information.
DSU/CSU	Data Service Unit/Channel Service Unit. The DSU part of the unit is the device used in digital transmission for connecting Data Terminal Equipment (DTE), such as a router, to Data Communications Equipment (DTE) or to a service. The CSU part of the unit is a digital interface device that connects end user equipment to the local digital telephone loop. (DTE) and data circuit termination equipment (DCE) for terminals
EBTA	Electronic Bonding Trouble Administration
ECIC	Electronic Communications Implementation Committee (ECIC) is an industry forum that develops a common understanding of electronics communications standards and develop guidelines for the implementation of electronic information exchange
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange - An industry standard protocol for the mechanical exchange of data between computer systems.
EMI	Exchange Message Interface - Usage record format for message exchange which is developed under the auspices of the Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF).
ESOG	Electronic Service Order Guide - A document created to aid CLECs in preparation of an LSR for ordering Unbundled Network Elements and Resale Services in the Ameritech region.
EXACT	Exchange Access Control and Tracking - The industry standard for ordering access services.
FMO	Future Method of Operation
FTP	File Transfer Protocol - A common industry defined data transmission polling protocol.
GUI	Graphical User Interface - A user-friendly presentation of data input screens.
GUI-Web	Web based GUI
ISO	International Standards Organization
ITU-T	International Telecommunications Union - Telecommunication
JIA	Joint Implementation Arrangement – arrangement between SBC and Application to application customers regarding implementation of mandatory and optional fields defined in T1M1.5 standard, as well as timing, security, measurements, etc.
LEC	Local Exchange Carrier
LEX	LSR Exchange - A GUI application available to CLECs for ordering LSR-based local services from SBC.
LRAF	The data communications facility that provides a secure network interface from CLEC networks to Southwestern Bell's Data Communications Network (DCN).

LSOG	Local Service Order Guidelines - The industry standard format documentation developed under the auspices of Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) for the ordering of local service Resale, Number Portability, Unbundled Network Elements (UNE) Loops and Ports.
LSOR	A document created to aid CLECs in preparation of an LSR for ordering Unbundled Network Elements and Resale Services in the SWBT and PB/NB regions.
LSPOR	A document created to aid CLECs with pre-ordering inquiries to exchange certain information prior to the submission of an LSR for ordering Unbundled Network Elements and Resale Services in the SWBT and PB/NB regions.
LSR	Local Service Request - The industry standard format developed under the auspices of Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) for the ordering of local service Resale, Number Portability, Unbundled Network Elements (UNE) Loops and Ports.
M&P	Methods and Procedures
MIB	Managed Information Base
NPA	Numbering Plan of North America
NXX	Local Exchange Number
OBF	Ordering and Billing Forum - The industry forum that develops the guidelines for ordering Wholesale Local and Access services.
OSS	Operation Support System
PB/NB	Pacific Bell/Nevada Bell - The two-state operating region of SBC which encompasses the states of California and Nevada.
PIC/LPIC	Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC) and IntraLATA Primary Interexchange Carrier (LPIC) – Codes assigned to interexchange (long distance) and intraLATA (local) carriers
PMO	Present Method of Operation
PRAF	The data communications facility that provides a secure network interface from CLEC networks to the PB/NB Data Communications Network (DCN).
RAF	The Remote Access Facility is the regional access point available to CLECs for direct or dial-up connectivity to the SWBT and Facility
SBC	The corporate entity which encompasses the Ameritech, PB/NB, SNET and SWBT regions.
SNET	Southern New England Telephone - The SBC operating region which includes the state of Connecticut.
SRAF	The data communications facility that provides a secure network interface from CLEC networks to Southern New England Telephone's Data Communications Network (DCN).

SWBT	Southwestern Bell Telephone- The five-state operating region of SBC which encompasses the states of Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.
TIM1	Industry standard body that develops inter-network operations standards and support the CORBA data model for pre-ordering.
TA	Trouble Administration
TCIF	Telecommunications Industry Forum - An industry standard body that produces the EDI mechanization specifications for the LSOG.
TCNet	A Web-based GUI available to CLECs that provides for the mechanical exchange of pre-ordering information.
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
TRFD3	Trouble Report Format Definition
UNE	Unbundled Network Element
UNE-P	Unbundled Network Element Platform – A combination of unbundled network elements including an unbundled loop, unbundled switch port, and shared transport. In Illinois, the current UNE-P product is tarified as Combined Platform Offering (CPO).
USOC	Universal Service Order Code - The industry standard ordering codes associated with products and assigned by the Universal Service Order Standards at Telcordia.
Verigate	A GUI available to CLECs that provides for the mechanical exchange of pre-ordering information.
W-CIWin	Wholesale Customer Information Window - An SNET proprietary system that facilitates Resale and UNE order processing by enabling integrated access to the operational support systems.
WSM	Wholesale Service Manager - An Operational Support System that provides ordering and flow through capability and data element validation for Resale services.
X.25	Developed by the ITU-T as an interface between data terminal operating in the packet mode on public data networks

Attachment A – Change Management Process

Attachment B – April 2000 Pre-ordering Update Specifications

Attachment C – Verigate User Guide

Attachment D – April 2000 Loop Qualification Pre-ordering Transaction Specifications

Attachment E – LEX User Guide

Attachment F – OSS User Guide

Attachment G – POS User Guide

Attachment H – DataGate Order Status and Provisioning Order Status Transaction Specifications

Attachment I – EBTA MLT Enhancement Specifications

Attachment J – OSS Interconnection User Guide

Attachment K - Non-OSS Change Management Process